## California Reading First Plan

## Exhibit IX **LEA Eligibility Criteria**

Local Education Agency (LEA) School Districts will be eligible and selected on the following criteria:

Eligibility Criteria	Description
California Standards Test/Performance Levels: Below Basic and Far Below Basic, and	50% or more of LEA 's students in grades 2-3, or 1,000 or more students in grades 2-3, scoring Below Basic or Far Below Basic
Title I Part A, Poverty Level, or	LEA has at least 2,000 students or 60% of its student population counted for allocation of Title I
Title I Part A, Schools Identified for School Improvement, or	LEA has two or more school improvement schools, or 25% of its schools are identified for school improvement under Title I, Part A
Empowerment zone or Enterprise Community	LEA has jurisdiction over an area designated as an empowerment zone or an enterprise community

Please note: The SBE will require selection of LEAs to be based on geographical diverse settings.